



Update on Turkish Economy

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Unemployment

- Turkish Statistical Institute announced the results of the household labor force survey for December 2009 (Moving Average of November, December and January results). According to the results, the unemployment rate was 13.5% in December 2009.

	December 09	December 08	November 09	November 08
Population of 15 years old and over (thousand)	52,079	51,211	52,007	51,143
Labor force (thousand)	24,812	23,799	25,011	24,036
Number of employed persons (thousand)	21,451	20,466	21,741	20,999
Number of unemployed persons (thousand)	3,361	3,332	3,270	3,037
Labor force participation ratio (%)	47.6	46.5	48.1	47.0
Employment rate (%)	41.2	40.0	41.8	41.1
Unemployment rate (%)	13.5	14.0	13.1	12.6

- Full text of the announcement is available at the following web address.

<http://www.turkstat.gov.tr/PreHaberBultenleri.do?id=6208>